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INDUSTRIAL BUILDING MATERIALS IN YUGOSLAVIA

NEW FACTORY BEING BUILT -- Rad, No 146, 17 Sep 48

The first Yugoslav factory to produce concrete blocks is being built on the banks of the Danube. Work began $3\frac{1}{2}$ months ago. Parts of the factory necessary for manufacturing processes will be built first, and windows, ceilings, and roofs later.

TRAVEL FROM THE DANUBE -- Rad, No 110, 6 Aug 48

In July, three dredges removed 150,000 tons of gravel suitable for use in concrete from the bed of the Danube, where it had been deposited by the Morava. The gravel is being used for construction in Belgrade and elsewhere, for building the New Belgrade, and for the Brotherhood and Unity Highway.

BRICK PRODUCTION TAGS -- Vjesnik, No 1008, 30 Jul 48

Most local brickworks in Croatia have failed to fill their quotas for the first half year. Although frequent rains were a factor, the chief cause was carelessness. The Vrginmost District People's Committee was lax in providing proper living conditions for the workers or firewood for the kilns. Some districts, such as Ogulin and Slunaj, turned over their quotas to the administration for rebuilding burned houses. Workers' living conditions were very bad at the Paulovac brickyard, and unnecessary delay in repairing equipment held up operations a month.

The manpower shortage is growing more serious. Some enterprises pay higher than the legal wages to prevent labor turnover, as on the Osljek and Belje state farms. The new order regulating brickworkers' wages has not come into effect, and many workers have left for harvesting or other employment. Many enterprises

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have hired workers who are still under contract to other employers.

The Titova Korenica brickyard is 45 km from the railroad. About 450,000 bricks lie unused at Sinj because of transport problems.

BRICK PRODUCTION IN CROATIA -- Vjesnik, No 1008, 30 July 48

The Nikolase brickyard in Zupanja produced 101,000 bricks during the first 6 months of 1948, according to the plan, and the Hirsberger yard in the same district nearly met its quota. Others were short because of poor organization or carelessness. For example, the Obnova yard in Gunja produced only 40,000 bricks; the Sava yard in Slavonski Samac and two private lime kilns in Zupanja failed to meet their quotas.

METAL PLANT EXCEEDS GOAL -- Borba, No 186, 2 Aug 48

The Velja Stojakovic Metal Products Enterprise, which manufactures products for the major construction industry, fulfilled its half-year financial plan by 170 percent and its production plan by 156 percent.

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